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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the

application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): A cartridge comprising:

a case accommodating a recording medium therein; and

a label area on a side of the case where a label is to be disposed, the label area

being surrounded on each side by a rectangle-like standing wall at an outer face of the case, such

that the standing wall extends above the label area,

wherein a portion in a longitudinal direction of one side portion of the standing

wall is excised to provide a cut-away portion, which communicates with the label area, at the

case.

2. (original): The cartridge of claim 1, wherein the label area is formed at a rear wall of

the case, at a rear side in a direction of loading the case into a drive device, and the cut-away

portion is provided at a substantially central portion in the longitudinal direction of an upper side

portion of the standing wall.

3. (original): The cartridge of claim 2, wherein the cut-away portion is provided to

communicate with an upper face of the case.

4. (original): The cartridge of claim 1, wherein the label area is formed at a rear wall of

the case, at a rear side in a direction of loading the case to a drive device, and the cut-away

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portion is provided at a substantially central portion in the longitudinal direction of a lower side portion of the standing wall.

- 5. (original): The cartridge of claim 1, wherein the outer face of the case is recessed to form the standing wall.
- 6. (original): The cartridge of claim 1, wherein the standing wall is formed to be protruded from the outer face of the case.
- 7. (original): The cartridge of claim 1, wherein the recording medium comprises recording tape wound on at least one reel and the cartridge includes a recording tape cartridge.
- 8. (original): The cartridge of claim 1, wherein the recording medium comprises a disc medium and the cartridge includes a disc cartridge.
- 9. (original): The cartridge of claim 1, wherein the case includes an upper case and a lower case, and the label area is formed to extend over the upper case and the lower case.
- 10. (original): The cartridge of claim 9, wherein a surface area of the label area at the upper case is formed to be greater than a surface area of the label area at the lower case.
 - 11. (currently amended): A cartridge comprising:

a case including an upper case and a lower case and accommodating a recording medium therein; and

a label area on a side of the case where a label is to be disposed, the label area being surrounded on each side by a rectangle-like standing wall at an outer face of the case, such that the standing wall extends above the label area,

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wherein a portion in a longitudinal direction of one side portion of the standing wall is excised to provide a cut-away portion, which communicates with the label area, at the case.

- 12. (original): The cartridge of claim 11, wherein the label area is formed to extend over the upper case and the lower case.
- 13. (original): The cartridge of claim 12, wherein a surface area of the label area at the upper case is formed to be greater than a surface area of the label area at the lower case.
- 14. (original): The cartridge of claim 11, wherein the label area is formed at a rear wall of the case, at a rear side in a direction of loading the case to a drive device, and the cut-away portion is provided at a substantially central portion in the longitudinal direction of a lower side portion of the standing wall.
- 15. (original): The cartridge of claim 11, wherein the outer face of the case is recessed to form the standing wall.
- 16. (original): The cartridge of claim 11, wherein the standing wall is formed to be protruded from the outer face of the case.
- 17. (new): The cartridge of claim 1, wherein the standing wall is provided on one side of the case.
- 18. (new): The cartridge of claim 11, wherein the standing wall is provided on one side of the case.